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## Sen. Hardiman proposes two new specialty license plates

Lansing — Sen. Bill Hardiman (R-Kentwood) today introduced two bills that would create specialty fund-raising license plates for the United Negro College Fund and Habitat for Humanity.

"Adding these two important organizations to the list of charities with specialty plates shows how much Michigan residents are ready to support these causes," Hardiman said.

Senate Bill 957 would create a plate for the United Negro College Fund and SB 958 would create one for Habitat for Humanity. The fee for a specialty plate is \$35 in addition to the annual registration fee. The organizations receive \$25 for each plate sold.

The United Negro College Fund is the nation's oldest minority higher-education assistance organization. It raises money for 39 member colleges and universities and awards financial assistance to students.

Habitat for Humanity is an international, nonprofit, ecumenical Christian organization that helps provide housing to those in need. Volunteers build the homes and donate materials for the construction. People receiving homes help build the home as well. The Michigan Habitat organization built 209 homes in 2002. In 2003, they celebrated the construction of the 2,000<sup>th</sup> home in Michigan.